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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2002, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 3, 4, 12 and 13 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1, 5, 8 - 10, 14, 17 and 18 as follows:

1. (Amended) An image processing device comprising:

first storage means for storing source image data in units of pixels;

second storage means for storing destination image data in units of pixels;

rendering means for performing an action of applying a stipulated pixel-unit

operation to the source image data stored in said first storage means and rendering the

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